

## Parent and Teacher NewsLetter

Hello Parents,

I am so excited to share what The Dream Team has planned this year. This year as the Dream Director of Career high school I am still committed to cultivating your child's passion, dream project, and discovery of purpose, however what The Future Project has come to learn and are really excited about digging into this year is possibility. Why possibility thinking? Simply put, if a student cannot believe there are new and different possibilities for themselves, for their community, for this world, if they don't have the opportunity to begin to act on that belief, experience success and failure, and continue to believe in and act upon new possibilities, then all the work we do around passion, purpose, 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills, SEL, and so on is all for not. If they don't have the practice in facing challenges by seeing the opportunities with those challenges and then acting on them, then the work we all do to help insure they get to pursue their happiness falls short.

So to help your child on their journey not just through school, but through life I have developed some incredible workshops which will be held every wed after school for Dream team members only. Workshops that explore, self discovery, developing discipline, goal setting, resource mapping, networking, developing better habits, social activism, and much more.

Along with the Dream Team workshops every Wed after school, there will be other events and programs offered to enlighten, inspire, and motivate action from these rock star students. Here are the other events and programming offered and planned on pursuing this year.

### **Dream Team and potential Dream Team info session retreat**

**Date: August 26th**

**A retreat designed to introduce/reintroduce what The Future Project methodology, school schedule, and brainstorm possibility for ourselves, school, and community through interactive workshops and activities. All info regarding the Dream team will be provided here.**

### **First (day) week celebration**

**September 1-9**

**Welcoming new students and returning students to a space of power and possibility. Myself, dream team, and student government, are currently working out the details and logistics for a number of activities and visuals that we believe will create the space of power and possibility.**

**Dream Team Meeting/Workshops**  
**August 26th--Last week of school**

Last year Dream Team meetings were every wed from 2:30 to 4. That can change depending on the dream team's availability. Each meeting will be a workshop designed to support their personal projects, and development. These workshops assist students in, self discovery, imagination, social awareness, team building, distillation, strategy/planning building capability/learning, and execution.

**Hip Hop analytics**  
**October 29th--Last week of school**

A workshop open for all students and staff where we do a critical analysis of artists, lyrics, and the parallels between Hip Hop culture and society today.

**Black Wallstreet and Family Potluck dinner**  
**February 23rd**

Following the last years success Mrs duff and the Dream team will once again collaborate to bring community and school community together for family fun and supporting local black owned businesses.

**Panther Corner Podcast**  
**October 4th---Last week of School**

Twice a week students will be meeting at the Dream Directors office to record a 30 minute episode of Panther Corner Podcast where they interview individuals of their choosing and provide some content exclusively for Career students. The show will be available on the school's website and other media outlets the students agree on.

**City wide events**

Dream Team joins with other dream teams across the city to collaborate on projects, ideas and activities for character development.

**African American Advocacy group**

**Debate team will be formed by October 27th**

Lead by a “Future Fellow” this group will hold debates at local schools and address issues in our community.

**Pride Mastery Awards**

**TBD it will be last week of the school year**

2nd annual Pride mastery awards highlight school community members that exemplified Pride in a masterful way.

**FILM/TV PRODUCTION ASSOCIATES WANTED**

I will be recruiting any individuals interested in learning media production. Be sure your child sees me for more information.